The Spiritual Identity of Mystery, Babylon

> **And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.**
> **Revelation 18:2-4 (KJV)**

For centuries Godly men have correctly identified the Roman Catholic institution as the spiritual identity of Mystery, Babylon but the "mother church" is only part of the mystery of her identity.

The last thing I ever thought God would have me do was study occult practices and doctrines. It is disturbing and a weight on the soul, it is like crawling through a cesspool. I have been questioning whether God really wants me doing this research or it is just my human curiosity, and asking Him to give me a specific word as to His will in this situation. I believe He has answered me.

God reminded me that just the other week He placed the thought in my mind "Did you know that the AK47 is a Russian made weapon?", thereby providing me an important clue to decoding one of the Denver Airport murals. I was so surprised, I had to rub my eyes and get on the computer and **Google it** right away. A few days later I had a similar revelation where I was told that the leopard of **Daniel 7:6 (KJV)** is a **symbol of Iran**. The Holy Spirit has clearly been guiding me all along, but I still didn't quite fully understand why until this week.

> **My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.**
> **Hosea 4:6 (KJV)**

The reason that God is guiding me into studying occult symbols and the practices of the heathens is that His own people are right there practicing them along with them! Some are lacking knowledge, but others are outright rejecting it because they enjoy their heathen practices! They enjoy their pagan Christmas festivities; they enjoy doing their so called "Christian yoga". They have their martial arts classes in church for the kids on Friday night to "give them self confidence".

I know this is going to come as a real shock, but God doesn't really care how you feel; He demands total obedience. But most of us are satisfied with our 'lick and a promise' Christianity, never fully cleansing our lives of all sin, holding on to certain things because they make us 'feel good'.

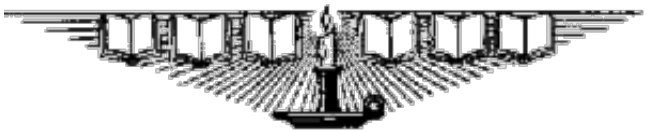
> **Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and**

the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.
1 John 2:15-17 (KJV)

By now you probably think I've gone way off track from "Mystery Babylon" but that's not the case. Because what the Spirit is saying is that spiritually speaking "Mystery, Babylon" is not just the Catholic Church, but all of the apostate church. The apostate church includes everyone who calls themselves by His name but regard His commandments lightly and do not really follow them.

Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot? God forbid. What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh.
1 Corinthians 6:15-16 (KJV)

The "great whore" represents a woman who loves the world and willingly shares her affections with it instead of the one to whom she has exclusively promised herself to. But the Son will not be joined to a harlot. "Come out of her my people" saith the Lord. God is going to judge the great whore momentarily, and anyone who is participating in the same sins as her will likewise receive of her plagues (judgments).

Let your heart therefore be perfect with the LORD our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.
1 Kings 8:61 (KJV)

God is calling His people to holiness, to examine our garments and deal with every spot and blemish. If you wait until it is too late you will regret it for eternity. If we could live in perfection we wouldn't need Him. He doesn't expect perfection, but that we strive for it. That is what it means to have a perfect heart.